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Mr. Kelly Kordzik Winstead, Sechrest & Minick 100 Congress Ave. Suite 800 Austin, TX 78701-4042

Re: IBM Docket Number: AUS920010365US1;

Dear Kelly:

You are being retained to prepare a patent application for the above IBM docket.

Enclosed is a copy of IBM invention disclosures <u>AUS8-2001-0369</u>. The concept of the invention is summarized as an attachment. The patent application is to be prepared according to the <u>IBM AUSTIN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DEPARTMENT OUTSIDE COUNSEL & ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES.</u>

Dwip N. Banerjee the contact inventor, has been notified that you will be preparing this patent application and has agreed to the schedule set forth below. The inventor's telephone number is (512) 838-2747 and fax number is (512) 838-3509.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Volel Emile

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